



## DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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**Systems and Methods for Soft Tissue Reconstruction**

the specification of which (check one): ☐ is attached hereto  
☒ was filed on March 31, 2000 as United States Application Number 09/539,748  
or PCT International Application Number \_\_\_\_\_, and  
was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Prior Foreign Application(s)

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(Number) \_\_\_\_\_ (Country) \_\_\_\_\_ (Day/Month/Year Filed) \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Yes ☐ No

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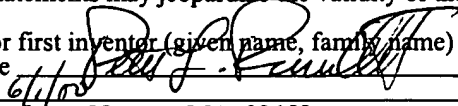
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**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY  
STATUS**

**(37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b)) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR**

As below named inventor, I hereby state that I qualify as an independent inventor as identified in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office described in the application identified above.

I have not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed, and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention to any person who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern, or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed, or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention is listed below:


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Separate statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention stating their status as small entities (37 CFR 1.27).

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

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